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"(i) 3 percent. or "(ii) if the employer makes an election under this the actual deferral subclause. nonhighly percentage of compensated employees determined for such first plan vear." (2) Paragraph (3) of section 401(m) is adding amended bv at the end the following: "Rules similar to rules of subsection (k)(3)(E) shall apply for purposes of this subsection." (e) DISTRIBUTION OF EXCESS CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXCESS AGGREGATE CONTRIBUTIONS (1) Subparagraph (C) of section 401(k)(8) (relating to arrangement not disqualified if excess contributions distributed) is amended by striking "on the basis of the respective portions of the excess contributions attributable to each of such employees" and inserting "on the basis of the amount of contributions by, or on behalf of. each of such employees". Subparagraph (C) of section 401(m)(6) (relating to method of distributing excess aggregate contributions) amended by striking "on the basis of the respective portions of such amounts attributable to each of such employees" and inserting "on the basis of the amount of contributions on behalf of, or by. each such employee". (f) EFFECTIVE DATES IN GENERAL. The amendments made by this section shall apply to years beginning after December 31, 1998. (4) EXCEPTIONS. — The amendments made by subsections (c). (d). and (e) shall apply to years beginning after December 31, 1996. SEC. 1434. DEFINITION OF COMPENSATION FOR **SECTION 415 PUR-**POSES. (a) GENERAL RULE.— Section 415(c)(3)(defining participant's compensation) is amended by adding at the end the following new Subparagraph:

"(D) CERTAIN DEFERRALS INCLUDED. term participant's compensation shall include "(i) any elective deferral (as defined in section 402(α}<mark>(3)).</mark> and "(ii) any amount which

the come employee by reason of section 125 or 457."

(b) CONFORMING AMENDMENTS. (1) Section 414(a)(4). as redesignated by section 1431. is

amended to read as follows:

"(4) COMPENSATION For purposes of this subsection the term compensation has the meaning given such term by section

> 26 use 401 note.

(2) Section 414(s)(2) is amended by inserting "not" after "elect" in the text and heading thereof.
(c) EFFECTIVE DATA The amendments made by this

26 use 414 note. section shall apply to years beginning after December 31, 1997.